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SUBJ: DRAFT INTERIM UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN CANADA AND THE  
UNITED STATES

REF: STATE 297357

1. COMPOSITE TEXT OF DRAFT NOTE AS DISCUSSED ON  
TELEPHONE AS FOLLOWS:

BEGIN TEXT: THE EMBASSY OF THE UNITED STATES PRESENTS ITS  
COMPLIMENTS TO THE DEPARTMENT OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS AND HAS  
THE HONOR TO REFER TO DISCUSSIONS WHICH HAVE TAKEN PLACE  
OVER THE PAST SEVERAL MONTHS CONCERNING ARRANGEMENTS  
UNDER WHICH CANADIAN ORIGIN NATURAL URANIUM IMPORTED  
INTO THE UNITED STATES FOR ENRICHMENT AND SUBSEQUENT  
USE BY OUR UTILITIES IN THE NUCLEAR FUEL CYCLE COULD  
BE BROUGHT UNDER MUTUALLY ACCEPTABLE PEACEFUL GUARANTEES  
AND SAFEGUARDS.

2. BECAUSE AT PRESENT THERE ARE AT LEAST TWO UNITED  
STATES UTILITIES WHICH HAVE STRONG INCENTIVES FOR  
OBTAINING CANADIAN NATURAL URANIUM EXPORT PERMITS PRIOR  
TO THE END OF THIS YEAR, THE EMBASSY HAS THE HONOR TO  
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PROPOSE THAT THE FOLLOWING INTERIM PROCEDURE BE APPLIED

TO THE SHIPMENTS DESCRIBED IN THE ATTACHED ANNEX AND TO SUCH OTHER SHIPMENTS AS MAY BE AGREED BETWEEN CANADA AND THE UNITED STATES BY EXCHANGE OF NOTES ADDING TO THE ATTACHED ANNEX. IT IS AGREED THAT THE INFORMATION CONTAINED IN THE ANNEX WILL BE TREATED AS PROPRIETARY INFORMATION, NOT FOR PUBLIC USE.

3. IT IS PROPOSED FURTHER THAT THIS INTERIM PROCEDURE SHALL REMAIN IN EFFECT UNTIL SUCH TIME AS THE GOVERNMENTS OF THE UNITED STATES AND CANADA HAVE ESTABLISHED A MUTUALLY ACCEPTABLE PROCEDURE BY AN AGREEMENT WHICH SHALL TAKE INTO ACCOUNT THE SAFEGUARDS REGIME TO BE ESTABLISHED PURSUANT TO AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATE AND THE INTERNATIONAL ATOMIC ENERGY AGENCY FOR THE APPLICATION OF SAFEGUARDS IN THE UNITED STATES.

4. THE ENERGY RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATION WILL BE PREPARED TO HOLD AT ITS FACILITIES CANADIAN ORIGIN NATURAL URANIUM IMPORTED IN THE FUEL CYCLE OF UNITED STATES DOMESTIC POWER REACTORS. PRIOR TO IMPORTATION, THE ENERGY RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATION WILL INFORM THE ATOMIC ENERGY CONTROL

BOARD OF CANADA THAT APPROPRIATE ARRANGEMENTS HAVE BEEN MADE WITH UNITED STATES UTILITIES TO PERMIT IT TO IMPLEMENT THIS UNDERTAKING.

5. THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT GUARANTEES THAT SUCH NATURAL URANIUM SHALL NOT BE USED FOR THE DEVELOPMENT, MANUFACTURE OR DETONATION OF ANY NUCLEAR WEAPON OR OTHER NUCLEAR EXPLOSIVE DEVICE.

6. THE ENERGY RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATION WILL NOT TRANSFER SUCH NATURAL URANIUM FROM ITS FACILITIES WITHOUT THE PRIOR WRITTEN CONSENT OF THE ATOMIC ENERGY CONTROL BOARD OF CANADA.

7. ARRANGEMENTS OF A MUTUALLY SATISFACTORY NATURE WILL BE MADE BETWEEN THE ATOMIC ENERGY CONTROL BOARD OF CANADA AND THE ENRGY RESEARCH AND DVELOPMENT  
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ADMINISTRATION TO INSURE COMPLIANCE WITH THE FOREGOING GUARANTEES.

8. TO FACILITATE IMPLEMENTATION OF THIS PROCEDURE, THE ATOMIC ENERGY CONTROL BOARD WILL ADVISE THE ENERGY RESEARCH DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATION PRIOR TO THE IMPORT INTO THE UNITED STATES OF NATURAL URANIUM SUBJECT TO THIS INTERIM UNDERSTANDING.

9. IF THE ABOVE PROPOSAL IS AGREEABLE TO YOUR  
GOVERNMENT, THIS INTERIM UNDERSTANDING SHALL ENTER INTO  
FORCE UPON RECEIPT BY THE EMBASSY OF WRITTEN NOTIFICATION  
TO THAT EFFECT. THE UNDERSTANDING SHALL REMAIN IN FORCE  
UNTIL IT TERMINATES IN ACCORDANCE WITH ITS PROVISIONS,  
OR FOR TWO YEARS, WHICHEVER IS EARLIER.

10. THE EMBASSY OF THE UNITED STATES TAKES THIS  
OPPORTUNITY TO RENEW TO THE DEPARTMENT OF EXTERNAL  
AFFAIRS THE ASSURANCES OF ITS HIGHEST CONSIDERATION  
END TEXT. JOHNSON

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